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Executive Office of Environmental Affairs
Department of Environmental Protection and
the Board of Certification of Operators of Wastewater Treatment Facilities

NOTICE OF EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the requirements of M.G.L. c. 30A, s. 2, the Department of Environmental Protection (the "Department") and the Board of Certification of Operators of Wastewater Treatment Facilities (the "Board") are extending the public comment period for proposed revisions to: 310 CMR 30.0000, (the Hazardous Waste regulations, adopted pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 21C); and 310 CMR 7.00 (the Air Quality regulations, adopted pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 111, §§142 A-N), as well as proposed new regulations at 314 CMR 17.000 (Industrial Wastewater Management for Biotechnology Operations, adopted pursuant to M.G.L. c. 21, §§26 through 53). **The close of the public comment period is being extended from 5pm on Monday July 11, 2005 until 5pm on Monday July 18, 2005.**

These proposals are organized into three regulatory packages:

1) Amendments to the Hazardous Waste Regulations consisting of:

- Provision for conditional waiver of requirements for elementary neutralization of hazardous waste by Generators in tanks and containers, and
- Provision for a case-by-case waiver determination process that would allow the Department to grant waivers for specific wastes and activities that are either adequately regulated or insignificant as a potential hazard (for wastes and activities not regulated by U.S. EPA under the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act);

2) Amendments to the Air Pollution Control regulations, consisting of:

- Plan Approval exemption for Biotechnology Surface Disinfection Processes, that is intended to provide a permit-by-rule for emission of volatile organic compounds from biotechnology operations' surface disinfection processes; and
- Plan Approval exemption for Biotechnology Laboratories; and

3) New Industrial Wastewater Management for Biotechnology Operations regulations and an amendment to the Certification of Operators of Wastewater Treatment Facilities regulations:

- A permit-by-rule for discharge of industrial wastewater to the sewer and for pretreatment of industrial wastewater as well as exempt persons who manage, operate and maintain wastewater treatment facilities in compliance with 314 CMR 17.00 from obtaining a separate approval from the Board of Certification under 257 CMR 2.00.

Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from the Department web site <http://www.mass.gov/dep/bwp/biotech.htm> and during normal business hours at the DEP Boston Info

This information is available in alternate format. Call April McCabe, ADA Coordinator at 1-617-556-1171. TDD Service - 1-800-298-2207.

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The Department held six Public Hearings on: Thursday, June 23, 2005 at 1:00 p.m., Western Regional Office, 436 Dwight Street, Springfield, MA; Friday, June 24, 2005 at 10:00 a.m., DEP Headquarters, One Winter Street, Boston, MA; Monday, June 27, 2005 at 3:00 p.m., Central Regional Office, 627 Main Street, Worcester, MA; Tuesday, June 28, 2005 at 1:30 p.m., DEP Headquarters, One Winter Street, 2nd Floor, Atlantic Room, Boston, MA; Wednesday, June 29, 2005 at 1:00 p.m., Southeast Regional Office, 20 Riverside Drive, Lakeville, MA; and Thursday, June 30, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.; DEP Headquarters, Department of Environmental Protection, One Winter Street, Boston, MA

Please address written comments on the proposed regulations should be addressed to: Lee Dillard Adams, Department of Environmental Protection, 627 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608.

By order of Robert W. Golledge, Commissioner, July 8, 2005.